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1. Thailand

Another apparently politically inspired murder has been carried out in Nakhon Phanom Province.

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[REDACTED] The assassination is the fifth noted in northeast Thailand this year. In all cases the victims have been village leaders or persons working for the government.

The third clash in three weeks between suspected Communist subversives and Thai police occurred in Nakhon Phanom Province on 14 August.

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According to Bangkok press reports, the government is planning a new security sweep in the Nakhon Phanom area. Similar operations in the past have had little success, at least in part because of advance publicity.

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2. Guatemala

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Over the past year, most insurgent action has taken the form of urban terrorism. There have been no reports of guerrilla activity in the northeastern countryside since July, when several assassinations and the robbery of a customs house occurred. Recent successful police action against Communist terrorists in Guatemala City may have inspired the insurgents to seek safe haven in the northeast, where the terrain is well suited to guerrilla cover and concealment.

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No further incidents have been reported from Cuzco Department, where the 31 July destruction of a bridge indicated that the MIR might have finally activated its southern guerrilla camps.

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4. Venezuela

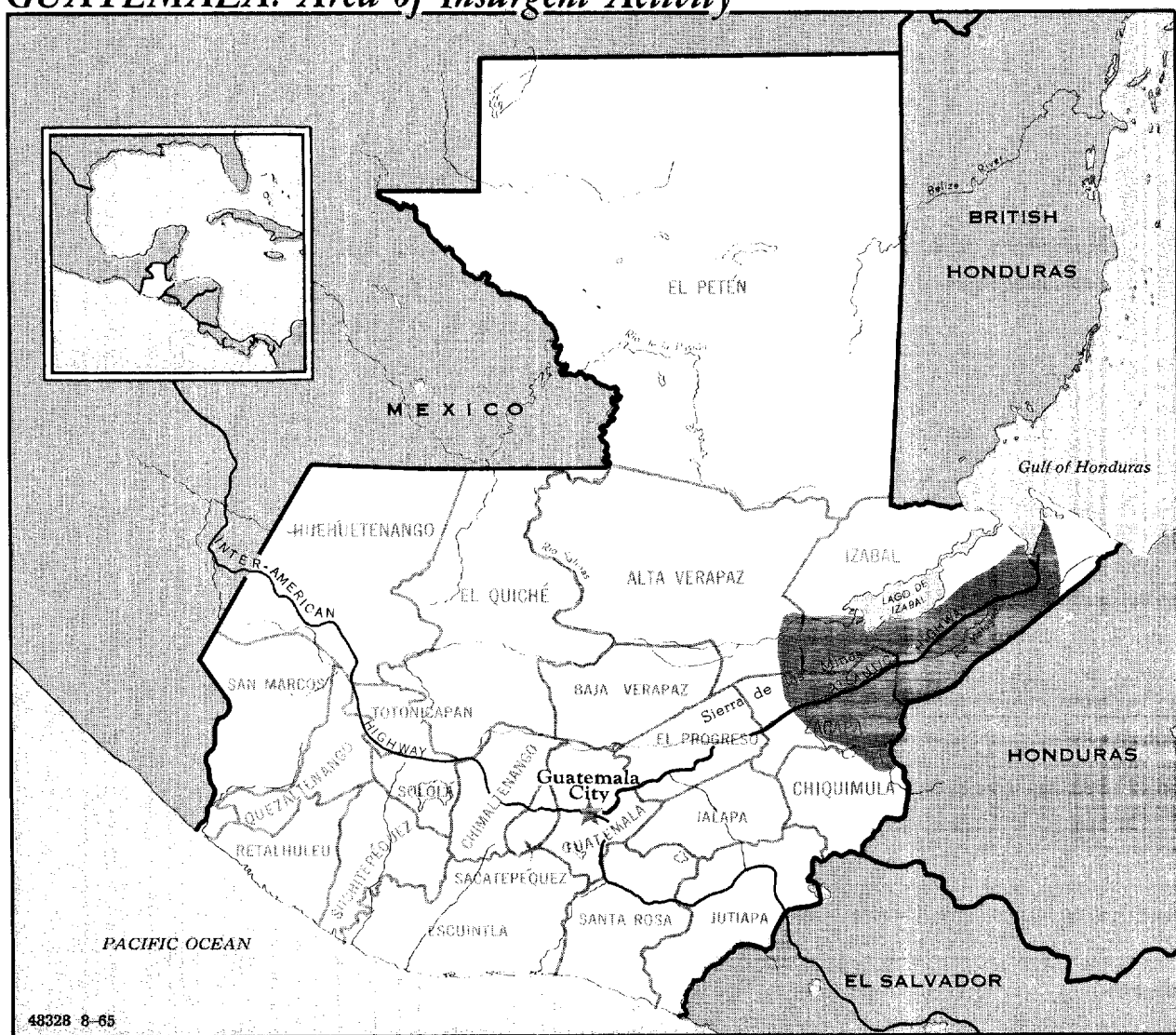
Several incidents of urban and rural terrorism have been reported since 3 August, including an attack on a Caracas police station, an attempted sabotage of oil installations, and two guerrilla attacks in eastern and one in western Venezuela.

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